

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 0550-1001-1**To the Assistant Commissioner of Patents**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ division ☒ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. **10/149,388**, filed on **June 12, 2002**, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Title: **EQUIPMENT FOR SUPPLYING MOLTEN METAL TO A CONTINUOUS CASTING INGOT MOULD**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ **16** Pages of Specification containing **11** claims
- ☒ **3** Sheets of formal Drawings ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☐ Submission of English translation of prior provisional application under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)
- ☐ Newly executed Oath or Declaration/Power of Attorney
- ☐ Copy of Oath or Declaration/Power of Attorney from a prior application (continuation/divisional)
- ☐ The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied as indicated in the preceding box, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- ☐ Deletion of inventor(s). A signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (see 37 CFR 1.63 (d)(2) and 1.33(b))
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☒ Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- ☐ An assignment to \_\_\_\_\_ for parent application no. **10/149,388** was recorded on \_\_\_\_\_ at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO-1449 - ☐ Copy of IDS citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Itemized Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☒ Priority of **France** application No. **00-02501** filed in **France** on **February 29, 2000** is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A copy of this was acknowledged to have been received in an Office Action issued in the parent application, dated July 8, 2003.
- ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
- ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
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☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part of Prior Appln. # 10/149,388

Prior Application Information: Examiner: K. Lin

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